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FOR CU/AF

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SUBJ: CU/AID PROGRAM

REF: STATE 215637, PRETORIA 1874

1. WE ASSUME THE DOLS. 75,000 GRANT FOR OCA CORRESPONDS TO ITEASFOUR IN PRETORIA 1874, PROVIDING FOR A SIXTY DAY PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM.
2. WE CONCUR WITH YOUR PROPOSAL TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT BUT WE REQUEST THAT ROUSSEVE RESCHEDULE HIS VISIT FOR TWO REASONS. OLLENDORF CONCLUDES HIS VISIT IN EURLY OCTOBER, WHICH WILL REQUIRE CONSIDERABLE FOLLOW-UP. IN ADDITION THE CLOSING OF VARIOUS BLACK UNIVERSITIES HAS PREVENTED US FROM COMPLETING OUR INTERVIEWING AND PROCESSING OF IIE SCHOLARSHIP CANDIDATE. WE ANTICIPATE COMPLETING THIS WORK IN OCTOBER. SECONDLY, WE WOULD PREFER TO ARRANGE ALL THE OCA INTERVIEWS FOR ONE TRIP. THE PROGRAMS ARE SUFFICIENTLY SIMILAR IN NATURE THAT THEY COULD ALSO BE ADVERTISED SINALTANEOUSLY. JUST AS THE DETAILS FOR THE SPECIAL CIP PROJECT HAVE BEEN WORKED OUT PRIOR TO OLLENDORF'S VISIT, WE BELIEVE THEY COULD SIMILARLY BE WORKED OUT FOR THE OCA PROGRAM.

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3. ALL SUCH ACTIVITIES ARE PLACING GREAT STRAIN ON OUR LIMITED STAFF RESOURCES. WE HOPE BY NOVEMBER TO HAVE SOME RELIEF AND FIND REINFORCEMENTS. FURTHER, WE HAVE RECEIVED NO INFORMATION TO DATE ON THE FOCUS OF THE COMING YEAR'S OCA PROGRAMS.

4. WE ARE UNABLE TO CORRELATE THE PROPOSED SHORT TERM TRAINING COURSES (OCA AND UNIVERSITIES) WITH ANY OF OUR PROPOSALS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR THINKING ON THIS PROJECT. HOWEVER OUR GENERAL APPROACH TO SUCH PROGRAM IS NOT PARTICULARLY IN TERM OF CERTIFICATES THAT WOULD QUALIFY PARTICIPANTS FOR BETTER JOBS BUT RATHER TO PROVIDE THEM WITH APPROPRIATE TRAINING THAT WOULD ENABLE THEM TO CARRY OUT THEIR CURRENT PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES MORE EFFECTIVELY.
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